SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID APPEAL LETTER #1

Dear Mr. XXXX,

I would like to thank, XXXXXXXXXXXXX for admission into the XXXXXXXXX and the *grant or scholarship* of \$XXXXXXXXXX is my number one choice for my undergraduate degree. However, while I am thankful and appreciate the gracious offer, it still leaves a substantial financial gap. I would like to formally request a review of my information on file and be considered for any additional funding that is available.

Currently, I have acceptances if admission and financial offers from University of XXXXXX, University of XXXXXX, and XXXXXX College. These are my next three choices and they bring my Net Balance to less than half of my EFC.

My financial aid application, which shows, that I am able to to pay a substantial amount of money, does not give an accurate picture of my situation. My family has a significant amount of medical bills, as well as past debt due to a job loss from years ago. In addition ther is a current job loss from they are still recovering. The assistance that is being offered is helpful, however, I would nee additionassistance in order to attend XXXXXX.

I will be on campus on MONTH DAY attending the Accepted Student's Day and welcome the opportunity to meet with someone from your office. Thank you for your time and consideration, and I hop to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

XXXX XXXXXX

Email: XXXXXXXXX@XXXXX.com

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The above financial aid appeal letter works because:

- 1. Thanks the school for his/her admittance
- 2. Gives examples fo other schools where he/she has acceptance and how those offers bring his/her family's net cost to less that school's original offer.
- 3. Provides evidence as tho why the FAFSA application does not accurately portray the amoun his/her family can afford to pay for college.
- 4. Asks to set up an appointment to discuss the issue in person (or it could be over the phone)